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The Glee Club offers a prize of five dollars ($5.00) for the best Middlebury College Song which shall be submitted from the graduate or undergraduate body by March 15, 1901. The choice will be made by three disinterested persons. All songs submitted will become the property of the Glee Club, to be used as it sees fit, and the right to reject all contributions is reserved. In this contest the words may be set to any air, original or not, which the writer wishes; and two or more persons may combine their efforts in furnishing words and music. Contributions should be given to the leader of the Glee Club. If one is not so fortunate as to win the prize it may be an incentive to effort if it is here stated that all worthy productions may be used by the club or at least find a place in the Middlebury College Song Book.

EDITORIAL.

BEGINNING with this issue the price for single copies of THE UNDERGRADUATE will be 20 cents. This price will hold until the paper is made a monthly, which it is hoped will be done upon the inauguration of the new board. Heretofore the 15-cent rate has been maintained as a favor to those subscribers who wish extra copies on special occasions, but so many non-subscribers are content with buying single copies once in a while that it seems only fair to the regular subscribers to make this change in price.

THE voice of music is heard in our land. At all hours of the day and night there steals in upon the plugger the solemn twang of the guitar, the titter of the mandolin or the pathetic moan of the "fiddle." But what harmony when all are united! (Life's most heavenly music is a blending of moans and laughter.) At the first rehearsal the emphasis should have been upon the word what, but under the skillful leadership of Mr. White the inflection is surely creeping over to its proper place upon harmony. Middlebury is to have a full fledged Mandolin Club. It has been a case of hidden talents, and nowt hat they have been unearthed and begin to shine, it is a source of regret that they have not before been put to use. Necessarily in a college of only seventy-five fellows some of the musicians are also athletes, and the musical clubs must consequently be content with a start rather later than is desirable, but better late than never. As to the quality of the clubs it is only necessary to say that they are fully up to the standard of last year. To learn what that standard is enquire of last season's patrons.

WE understand that the Juniors are estimating the cost of publishing a Middlebury College Song Book. This is a thing long needed to frame in a more concrete setting the traditions that have been forming for a century, and it is to be hoped that the plan may be carried out. As always, there arise objections and difficulties, the two most formidable of which are lack

of funds and dirth of material. The former is the hardest to meet, as the publication of music is a somewhat expensive process. No fear, however, need be entertained on this score, for, theoretically at least, there is to be found no lover of college associations but would gladly have expressed in song and verse emotions and experiences that are now but memories; practically, of course those will be found who have adopted other loves and who would not buy a college song book even for kindling. We are quick to believe that this class is small The College could well afford an investment in such an advertisement. The other objection, that of material, is forced to the wall even before the project is assured; for several songs have already made their appearance in anticipation of the song book, and the offer of the Glee Club should bring a number of others. We can think of no better way for a class to perpetuate itself than by such a publication, and THE UNDERGRADUATE heartily wishes them the success that such an undertaking deserves.

THERE is a rumor afloat, just a whisper you know, that the towers of a new gymnasium are looming above the horizon of possibility. No one is saying much lest the dream vanish, but one cannot help thinking what a push toward perfection such a gift would give to the old College. We hold these truths to be self evident. All institutions of learning are founded for the purpose of fitting young men and women for life. Life is a triple alliance of mental, moral and physical forces. No alliance is effective in the highest degree unless the parties to it are essentially upon an equal footing. Nonecan gainsay that the College gives all that can be asked for as to the first two of these factors. On the other hand no one will boast of our facilities for indoor physical culture. Why, if a fellow were as poorly fitted for college duties as is the little room we call a gymnasium, he would be mired in a tangle of conditions before two terms had passed, and relegated to some high school and be a disgrace even to that. A need we have long felt is for a winter class of compulsory gymnasium work under an efficient instructor. If the development of the foot-ball field could be augumented by winter indoor exercise, our base ball teams would be far from exhausted at the end of the fifth or sixth inning, and excessive demands for thirty minute halves on the gridiron would have no terrors for our eleven. There is little question but that a well equipped gymnasium and bath would render compulsion unnecessary to arouse interest in this department, but who would be tempted to spend an hour a day in the present dingy quarters, then run the risk of freezing to death in one of the two iron bath tubs provided for the accommodation of sixty-five students. Not saying that the College authorities have not in the past done all that could be done, for we believe that they have, we urge in the present season of our growth the careful nurture of this little spore until another mushroom growth shall make the third that has sprung up on our campus in as many years. We have the Egbert Starr Library, stored with the learning of master minds—a power for moral uplift; the Warner Sience Hall, perfect in equipment for scientific research—a power for mental growth; what name shall be written before the New Gymnasium that shall place the third party of this triple alliance upon an equality with the other two here at Middlebury College?

LITERARY.

SPEECH OF TORN SWEATER.

It was a memorable day in Bloody Gulch. Torn Sweater returning from West Point had amused the tribe with the narratives of his college escapades. The Sachems of the tribe had stood around in rapt attention, admiring the feats of strength, cruelty and endurance that were related. Triumphant, because the pale face had adopted the same standards of glory that were held by the venerable ancestors of the noble tribe of Kickems, they repaired to the neighboring drug store to drink the health of the young warrior who had held his native traditions through the entire course at an eastern college. Fire water seasoned with cocaine had so far quieted the minds of most, that only an occasional hiccough or a dull thud, when some brave fell off from a barrel, told that they still lived, when Torn Sweater stepped forth before those whom even the peaceful firewater had not yet overcome and thus addressed them:

"Ye call me tough! And ye do well to call him tough who for four long years has met on the gridiron every shape of human brawn that the colleges of the United States can furnish and never yet has lost a

scab. Yea, for ten long months I was a freshman; and subjected to every form of torture that the educated cruelty of cadets can devise, yet am I alive. Ye wonder that I can stand immune against absinthe and wood-alcohol. And yet, I was not always thus —a hardened tough 'mongst other hardened brutes. When I was a child, an innocent papoose, I shot red squirrels with my bow and arrow and knew no greater fun than inflating bull-frogs with a straw to see them try to swim or cutting up angleworms to see how many separate pieces would crawl away. I heard the Sachems tell of ghost dances and foot-ball games. My young heart beat quick and at night I dreamed of greater things that I would do when I should be a man.

That very month a youth with golden buttons on his coat came to the reservation and told of college scraps. When he returned from Bloody Gulch little Torn Sweater accompanied him to fit for college. O West Point! West Point! thou hast been to me a tender nurse. As soon as I was old enough I got a government appointment and entered thy stern halls. Thou hast taught the gentle lad that knew nothing worse to take than thoroughwort and mandrake root, to drink whole quarts of soft soap, castor oil, wood alcohol, prussic acid, tobasco sauce and knock-out drops. Thou hast taught the youth who knew no more vigorous exercise than swimming the Colorado Canyon, or jumping down the Falls of Minnehaha, to "train" till all his companions were unconscious or in convulsions. He, who as a youth had fought with nothing worse than grizzly bears and buffalos, has under thy tender care learned to face the Carlisle Foot Ball team. But as time passed I became an upper classman. They knew my stuff, and I was often called to administer a drubbing to some white-livered fourth-class man. Last week I killed a man named Buzz; and when the government committee came up I was fired.

But why stand ye here idle? Dig up the tomahawk, seize the war club and scalping knife. Here comes a tenderfoot from Kentucky. We will make him run the gauntlet, and if by chance we break an arm or leg and he should accuse us of aboriginal cruelty I will show him that I have been to college and know the world, for we will say: 'Tut, tut! You are a little behind the times: this is not cruelty, this is hazing."

A. W. EDDY, '04.

AMONG THE ALUMNI.

[Contributions in the way of literary articles, reminiscences and news of former graduates are especially solicited from alumni.

In the case of a change of address, alumni are requested to notify the Business Manager. Much trouble has been caused in the past by failure to do this.]

'49. Frederick D. Tappen has been elected president of the Gerry Society of New York City, in place of Elbridge T. Gerry, resigned

'59. Rev. L. A. Austin, '56, and his son, Prof. L. W. Austin, '89, plan a trip to Italy in February, and some months travel in Europe. The latter, who is Assistant Professor of Physics in the University of Wisconsin, has been given a half year's leave of absence. He goes accompanied by his wife and several of her friends.

'64. President Brainerd attended the annual winter meeting of the Vermont Botanical Club at Burlington. As president of the club he gave an address on "The Present Status of Vermont Botany." Dr. Brainerd was re-elected to the presidency.

'69. Charles F. Stone of Laconia, N. H., who recently received all the Democratic votes for United States Senator to succeed William E. Chandler, graduated from Middlebury College in 1869. He was the first principal of the Graded School here. He studied law in the office of Stewart & Eldredge and has since practiced in Laconia. He was a trustee of the New Hampshire Normal Schools for several years, and has been repeatedly elected by his party to the legislature, besides being their candidate for governor. President Cleveland made him naval officer of the port of Boston during his first administration.

'70. Martin E. Severance and wife from Fargo, N. Dak., have recently been the guests of relatives and friends in Middlebury, their former home. Mr. Severance is a civil engineer and has been largely engaged in government surveys.

'71 Prof Walter E. Howard delivered a lecture at the Castleton Normal School Friday afternoon, January 25.

'74. Rev. T. W. Darling and family have moved to Middlebury from Ackworth, N. H. Mr. Darling will be pastor of the Congregational Church in Ripton.

'75. Charles M. Wilds was recently elected vice-president of the Grand Trunk Railroad, Western division.

'77. About 135 new books have been added to the Library recently, 63 of these being the gift of Mr. Gifford of the Class of 1877. They were National Dictionaries of Biography.

'81. F. D. Boynton, superintendent of the Ithaca (N. Y.) Public Schools, lectured at Cornell University February 8 upon "A Unified Six Years' High School Course." On February 27 Mr. Boynton is to address the Department of Superintendence of the National Educational Association at its meeting in Chicago February 27. Subject: "Correlation of High School and Grammar Grade Work."

'83. Jesse Stearns has been appointed assistant counsel of the Central Vermont Railroad.

'89 Robert M. Collins passed through the United States at Christmas time en route from China, where he had been reporting the Associated Press news during the Chinese uprisings. Upon his arrival in England he was placed in charge of the Associated Press dispatches and was the only reporter admitted to Osborn Palace during the Queen's sickness and death.

'91. Thomas H. Noonan of Buffalo, N. Y., has formed a partnership with George K. Staples and now has offices in Ellicott Square. Mr. Noonan was recently elected to the membership committee of the Buffalo Lawyers' Club and re-elected secretary of the University Club.

'91. Carl A. Mead, who is in the office of Sherman & Sterling, 44 Wall street, New York, visited his mother in Middlebury during the Christmas holidays.

'91. Frank L. Bell has removed from Potsdam and opened a law office in Glens Falls, N. Y.

'93. State's Attorney J. B. Donoway recently made a business trip to Buffalo, N. Y. While there he met T. H. Noonan, also of the class of '93, now a successful lawyer of Buffalo, full of business and the affairs of the Pan-American Exposition.

'94. Rev. C. B. Toleman has accepted a call from the First Congregational Church, Omaha, Neb.

'94. Dr. Stanton S. Eddy is practicing medicine in East Orange, N. J.

'94. Dr. H. H. Seely has opened an office in Richmond, Vt.

'95. Charles L. Ross has opened a drug store in Glens Falls, N. Y.

'95. George S. Wright is principal of the Bethel High School, Bethel, Vt.

'95. The Methodist Church in the city of Pittsfield, Mass., one of the largest in the Troy Conference, has unanimously voted to request of the coming Conference that Rev. Charles L. Leonard, now of Cambridge, N. Y., be sent to the pastorate of their church. The place that Mr. Leonard now has is the third, his first having been at Ripton, his second at Poultney, where he remained three years. He is considered one of the brightest men of his age in the Conference.

'96 Prof. E. G. Bridgham has resigned his position of vice-principal at Gouverneur and accepted the principalship of the Owego High School. Mr. Bridgman was assistant principal of the Pulaski Union School and Academy before he went to Gouverneur.

'96. Rev. Guy C. Lamson, pastor of the Baptist Church at West Cornwall, recently entertained the Middlebury Chapter of Delta Upsilon Fraternity, with ladies. Mr. Lamson is a member of the local chapter.

'97. John A. Cadwell was married to Miss Irene Thomas on December 17, 1900, at the home of the bride in Proctor, Vt.

'97. L. R. Russell is pursuing the study of law in Burlington, Vt.

'98. Miss Lucia Avery, who is a teacher in the Bennington High School, spent the Christmas vacation at her home in Middlebury.

'98. Miss Mary G. Higley, who is teaching in Bakersfield, Vt., spent the Christmas vacation with her parents in Middlebury.

'98. Joseph A. Peck made a flying visit to friends in College Monday, January 1.

'99. Frank Cady, principal of the Chester (Vt.) High School, spent a few days of his Christmas vacation with his uncle, Prof. Walter E. Howard, in Middlebury.

'99. Rufus Wainwright, Jr., has been promoted and transferred from Montreal to the Grand Trunk office in New York.

'99. H. F. Lake, principal of Beeman Academy, New Haven, Vt., was recently the guest of J. Earle Parker.

'99. L. R. Howard visited friends at college on January 20.

'00. A. E. Batchelder is teaching school in Townshend, Vt.

'00. Samuel B. Botsford, who is a student at Buffalo Law College, has made his first appearance in actual court practice and came out with flying colors, since the defendant did not appear at all.

'00. John E. Stetson, who taught in Manchester Center during the fall term, has severed his connections there and is now in Bennington, N. H.

'00. A. Bush Wilmarth, who is taking post-graduate work at Harvard University, spent the Christmas holidays with his mother in Middlebury.

'00. Charles E. Wheeler, who is principal of the Cincinnatus (N. Y.) High School, spent the holidays with his parents in Sidney, N. Y.

'00. Rev. T. A. Carleson has accepted a call to serve the Congregational Church at Shoreham and went there Februrary 12.

'00. Miss Ethel Bates of South Royalston, Mass., recently spent two weeks with Miss Eveline Curtis at her home in Rockdale.

'00. Louis W. Severy, principal of the Shoreham Academy, recently spent Sunday with his parents in Middlebury.

'02. Charles L. Seiple has begun the study of law in Watertown, N. Y.

OBITUARY.

ROBERT EMMETT MARANVILLE, '48.

At the home of his son in Pendleton, Ind., the life of Robert Emmett Maranville ended in peace on the evening of December 30, 1900. His body was brought to Castleton for burial in his native town, January 2, 1901. The following account of his life is from the Poultney Journal:

Robert Emmet Maranville was born in the year 1824 at Castleton, but has lived since his first year at Poultney. He received the common fortune of the Vermont boy, a common school education. But this did not satisfy his ambitious nature. He had higher aims, and by individual effort alone he gained sufficient knowledge of the languages to be admitted to the freshman class of Middlebury College in the year 1844. Alone, unknown and with no voucher he journeyed on foot to Middlebury, received the approval of the examining committee and returned to Poultney. This act showed the material of his make-up. At the opening of the college term in early September he was with the class and remained to graduate in 1848 with the degree of A. B. He He was not what is called a quick scholar, and it was said he was not well prepared for admission, but his tireless industry supplied any deficiency. He was a constant student. From college he went back to his native town and engaged in teaching, which he intended for his life work. As he was a thorough scholar, so he was a thorough pains-taking teacher. He had the faculty of instilling into his pupils his own energy and love of work. His teaching continued for a number of years and in all respects was a success. From Poultney he went to Georgia where he was principal of Fort Valley Academy, and later of Furlow Masonic Female College. When war broke out he returned to his native town and subsequently traveled widely, visiting many battlefields and writing historical, political and reminiscent articles for different publications. For the last few years he has made his home with his son in the town of Pendleton, Ind. On Christmas day he was enjoying the festivities of the day with friends in his son's home, when the destroyer entered and laid on him his heavy hand, and no effort of nurse, friend, or physician could stay that hand; and so in company with the dying year his spirit went out into the great unknown. According to his desire, he was brought from his western home and laid to rest in the shadow of his loved Vermont hills, and by the side of his fathers. Mr. Maranville was from early life a member of the Baptist church. He was a man of strong convictions. He carried into his church life the same earnest devotion to duty and love of work that governed him in his secular life.

GEORGE FISHER, '58.

Mr. George Fisher of the class of '58 died at his home on West Fifteenth Street, Cairo, Ill., at 11 o'clock, December 19, 1900.

George Fisher was born at Chester, Vt., in 1832. His father, Joseph Fisher, was a native of New England, though of Scotch origin, and his mother was a lineal descendant of John Selden, who figured prominently in literature and politics in the first half of the 16th century. From the common schools, and the Chester Academy, Mr. Fisher attended Middlebury College, graduating in 1858 with the degree of A. B., and in 1861 received the degree of A. M. He was a member of the local chapter of the Delta Upsilon Fraternity. After graduation he became principal of an academy in Vermont, and three years later went to Alton, Ill., and taught in a grammar school for three years, during which time he studied law. In 1864 he was admitted to practice and removed to Cairo. In 1869 he was appointed surveyor and ex-officio collector of customs for the port of Cairo and held that position for a number of years. In October, 1885, he founded the Weekly Citizen newspaper, which he took an active part in conducting until about a year ago, since which time the burden of the weekly and daily, which was started a year ago, has devolved upon his oldest son John. Mr. Fisher was married November 29, 1860, to Miss Susan G. Cope-

land of Middlebury, Vt. Mr. Fisher was an active member of the Presbyterian church all his life, and no one ever had any reason to doubt his loyalty to the faith he professed. His earnestness in supporting his convictions sometimes may have made him enemies, but even they were compelled to admire his sincerity, and to acknowledge the high place he occupied as a man of sterling worth.

MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR DR. HAMLIN.

A memorial service was held in the Park Street Church of Boston on Sunday evening, January 6, for Dr. Cyrus Hamlin and Prof. Edward A. Parks, who before their death were among the most eminent divines of the Congregational church in America. Dr Hamlin, who died last year, was missionary of the American board in Turkey, the builder and first president of Robert College, Turkey, a professor in the Bangor and the Hartford theological seminaries, president of Middlebury College from 1880 to 1885 and during the last 15 years of his life a distinguished citizen of Lexington. While in Turkey he signally aided in a diplomatic way the United States government. Prof. Park was for ten years professor of sacred rhetoric and during thirty-four years professer of theology at the Andover Theological Seminary.

Addresses in reference to Dr. Hamlin were made by the Rev. James L. Barton, D. D., of the class of '81, Prof. M. A. Melcon and the Rev. S. Lewis B. Speare.

The Rev. James L. Barton was the first speaker. His address was entitled "The Man for the Times," and, in part, was as follows:

"Cyrus Hamlin was born Jan. 5, 1811, six months after the American board was organized and three months after its first meeting The day after his birth, just 90 years ago this very day, the first foreign missionaries ever sent out from American shores were ordained and commissioned in Salem. In 1829, the year Messrs. Dwight and Smith made their extensive exploration tours in Armenia, preliminary to a greatly enlarged mission work among those people, the young silversmith in Portland decided to give up his trade, then fairly well mastered, and study in preparation for the Christian ministry.

"Cyrus Hamlin, the student of theology, did not want to go to Turkey; his choice of field was Africa or China. The God of missions, through the prudential committee, chose another field for him, removed from that of his choice by the distance of a third of the world's circumference. In the year 1839, when he first set foot on missionary soil in Turkey, there arose in Constantinople a most determined and violent persecution of the evangelical Christians in that country led by the Armenian patriarch and sanctioned by Sultan Mahmud II. himself. This continued for a period of many years. These times demanded men of iron, men of ready resources, to steady the Armenian evangelical Christians and to devise measures, not only for their protection and comfort, but for their preservation as individuals and as a community. It is universally conceded that no one in the Ottoman empire at that time possessed the training and natural talent to grapple with the question so well as the young man Hamlin.

"Previously to 1840 the missionaries had attempted to work on the Gregorian church only through the medium of her ecclesiastics and the church organization itself. Separate enterprises such as schools, independent congregations or any effort might be interpreted as divisive, were deprecated and avoided. It was evident that there must be a complete and radical change in the methods of procedure, one which would succeed, not through co-operation with the Gregorians, but in the face of their most bitter persecution. Who was sufficient for these things except the youngest missionary of all, Cyrus Hamlin?

"Out of this furnace of persecution grew up Bebek Seminary. After this industrial, self-helping, self-preserving work among native people was well inaugurated, and had fully demonstrated its practical value, the Crimean war broke out, and Constantinople must needs be the centre of its operations. When the English soldiers in Scutari were dying by the score in the hospitals because of the lack of wholesome bread, there was no direction in which they or the British government could turn for help but to that little mna on the other side of the Bosphorus, who was advised to leave the farm in Maine, because he was said to be too slight to bear the brunt and rigor of that life. But the stern discipline of nearly years had fitted him to respond to the cry of the wounded, sick and dying soldiers for proper food. We all know how the Protestant Christians of Bebek and Constantinople, under the direction of Cyrus Hamlin, supplied the needed bread.

"When the financial results of the life saving work of the hospital were summed up, he found funds in

his hands sufficient for the erection of thirteen churches, with schools annexed, and these funds he freely gave for this purpose, and the immediate and crying need was met. All these experiences were but preparations to a greater and more prolonged struggle against the combined opposing forces of the empire, terminating in the erection and eqipment of Robert College upon the most beautiful site along the entire length of the Bosphorus. That magnificent institution today proclaims more eloquently than words can utter the fact that for this masterpiece of foresight, consecration and energy, the man had been prepared by Him who presides over all human plans for the advancement of his kingdom.

"Two great principles of missionary operations, which have now been adopted by nearly every foreign society, were introduced by Dr. Hamlin into the practical operations of his work in Turkey. These were: First, the education of advanced students through the medium of the English language, and second, the introduction of industrial occupations as a source of self-help to the student while studying, to be used by him in after years, in case of need, as a means of support.

Prof. Melcon then gave "A Pupil's Appreciation of President Hamlin," and told of the good results received under his direction. The Rev S. Lewis B. Speare followed with an analysis of Dr. Hamlin as "The Practical Theologian."

An original hymn, entitled "A Litany for All Saints," by the Rev. J. E. Rankin of Howard University, Washinton, was read.

PRESIDENT FLAGG OF RIPON COLLEGE.

The resignation of President Rufus Cushman Flagg, D. D., from this important position, ably held by him for nearly a decade, is just announced.

This decade has been an important one full of swift developments in Wisconsin's history, a crisis epoch for nearly all denominational colleges.

Coming from an important Vermont pastorate, President Flagg entered upon his work at a critical time in the college life, to build upon the foundations of his two able predecessors, Rev. Wm. Edward Merriam, D. D., and Prof. Edward Huntingdon Merrell, D. D., and to pilot the college through a somewhat reconstructive period, including the "hard times" years of '93 to '96.

The college has added immeasurably to its plant and equipment in the new Science Hall and in other department facilities, and has attained its maximum of students, a reduction of its preparatory patronage (in these days of multiplying high schools) having been offset by a decided increase in the college classes, the class to graduate in 1901 being the largest in its history. It was largely due to President Flagg that a considerable endowment fund to meet the conditional gift of the late Hon. E. D. Holton—a movement inaugurated by President Merrell—was brought to completeness. He was also potential in securing the gift of $15,000 from O. H. Ingram, Esq., of Eau Claire, and the additional benefactions answering its conditions, which have brought the new Science Hall into being.

President Flagg has been, meanwhile, a strong factor in the religious and educational life of the state, especially among Congregational churches, to whom he has become well known and highly esteemed as a Christian getleman and a preacher of marked ability.

The Trustees, who declined last June to accept the resignation of a year ago, have been led to reverse that decision by the renewed resignation of Dr. Flagg last week, after a period of severe illness; but in so doing they voice the view of many in the words of their resolution:

"Resolved, That, in accepting the proffered resignation of President Rufus C. Flagg, D. D., this Board desires to express and to record anew our high sense of his personal worth, scholarly ability and fine Christian courtesy, as well as our enlarged and grateful view of the steadfast, self-sacrificing and substantial work accomplished by him for Ripon College, during the past nine years of his presidency, into which he has put rare courage and loyalty of heart, in the face of serious burdens and obstacles.

"Resolved, That we congratulate Dr. Flagg, and ourselves, on his account, in the happy completion and dedication of the Ingram Hall of Science, to whose erection his efforts have given chief impulse, and which stand as the crowning fruitage of his work in and for the College.

"In his departure from Ripon, we wish him enlarged opportunities, with speedily restored health, and many years of helpful service, into which the best wishes of every member of this Board will follow him, as will also, we are sure, the high regard of many former

students of the College his associates, in educational work, and citizens of Ripon."

President Flagg was born August 3, 1846, at Hubbardton, Vt., was graduated from Middlebury College in the class of 1869, and from Andover Theological Seminary in the class of 1872. He was ordained to the Christian ministry at North Andover, Mass., September 26, 1872, where his pastorate included the years 1872-'77. After two years as acting pastor at Westford, Mass., he became pastor at Fair Haven, Vt., during the years 1880-'91, whence he was called to the presidency of Ripon College.

President and Mrs. Flagg have won many warm friends, both in the West and East, who wish them added years of prosperity and enlarged opportunity after a period of greatly needed rest —*The Advance*.

ATHLETICS.

By recent act of the Athletic Association the following Constitution and By-Laws were adopted in place of the out-grown legislation of former years. Radical changes have been made to meet the needs of a growing interest in athletics. The one of greatest interest is that relating to the awarding of sweaters and M's to those who shall have earned them. At the same meeting the privilege of wearing the letter was, by request, unanimously voted to Homer L. Skeels of the Class of '98.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE ATHLETIC ASS'N.

PREAMBLE.

For the purpose of promoting physical culture and general athletics among the students, and advancing the interests of our College, this association is organized.

ARTICLE I.

Name.

This organization shall be known as the Middlebury College Athletic Association.

ARTICLE II.

Section 1. All male students of Middlebury College are members of this Association.

Section 2. No member of said Association who shall refuse to pay any dues or tax hereinafter provided for, shall in any case be allowed to vote in any meeting of the Association or be permitted to enjoy any of its benefits and privileges.

ARTICLE III.

Officers.

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Base-Ball Captain, Base-Ball Manager, Assistant Base-Ball Manager, Foot-Ball Captain, Foot-Ball Manager, Assistant Foot-Ball Manager, and Advisory Committee consisting of three members.

Section 2. The President, Vice-President, Se retary, Base-Ball Manager, Assistant Base-Ball Manager and Advisory Committee shall be elected by a majority vote of the members of the Association present at the regular meeting held the last Saturday but one of the Spring term.

Section 3. The Foot-Ball Manager and Assistant Foot-Ball Manager shall be elected by a majority vote of the members of the Association present at the regular meeting held the last Saturday but one of the Fall term.

Section 4. The Base-Ball Captain shall be elected on the last Saturday but one of the Spring term, by ballot, by a majority vote of the members of the Base-Ball team.

Section 5. The Foot-Ball Captain shall be elected on the last Saturday but one of the Fall term, by ballot, by a majority vote of the members of the Foot-Ball team.

Section 6. "Members of the team" shall mean in Foot-Ball those who have played at least one of the halves of half of the regular games; in base-ball those who have played at least five innings of half of the regular games.

Section 7. The "regular games" of each season, in case of doubt, shall be defined to be those games determined by the Athletic Committee of the Faculty.

Section 8. The Captains of each team shall preside at such respective elections and shall be entitled to vote.

Section 9. Any member of a team thus entitled to vote, if unable to be present, may vote in writing and said vote shall be valid if signed by the voter.

Section 10. All officers shall serve one year or until their successors are elected.

ARTICLE IV.

Duties of officers.

Section 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of this Association, call all special meetings at the request of any member, notice of which, signed by the President, shall be posted on the College bulletin board at least one day before the meeting, and perform the other duties customary to his office.

Section 2. The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in the absence of that officer.

Section 3. The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of all meetings of this Association, shall read the same at any meeting when so ordered by the President or by any member, and shall perform the other duties customary to his office.

Section 4. The Base-Ball Manager shall have general supervision of the base-ball interests of the College, shall collect and have charge of the base-ball tax, shall be held responsible for all property belonging to his department, and shall make a report to the Association at the expiration of his term of office of all moneys received and expended by him during said term.

Section 5. The Assistant Base-Ball Manager shall assist the Base-Ball Manager in his duties, and perform the duties of the Manager in case of his absence or inability to perform the same.

Section 6. The Foot-Ball Manager shall perform the same

duties under the same conditions in the Foot-Ball Department as the Base-Ball Manager does in the Base-Ball Department.

Section 7. The Assistant Foot-Ball Manager shall perform the same duties under the same conditions in the Foot-Ball Department as the Assistant Base-Ball Manager does in the Base-Ball Department.

Section 8. The Advisory Committee shall consult with the Faculty on all matters requiring such consultation, shall make and report nominations for all regular officers of the Association, except Base-Ball and Foot-Ball Captains, and shall audit all accounts and reports of all persons in any way connected with the finances of the Association.

ARTICLE V.

Finance.

Section 1. Each member of the Association shall pay an annual due of five dollars ($5.00); two dollars and fifty cents ($2.50) to be paid during the fall term toward defraying foot-ball expenses, and two dollars and fifty cents ($2.50) to be paid during the spring term toward defraying base-ball expenses.

Section 2. In case the expenses of the Association shall be more than is provided for by the annual dues, the proceeds from the exhibitions given by the Association, and the receipts from the games, the deficit shall be raised by a per capita tax to be levied by a majority vote of the members present at any meeting of this Association regularly called.

ARTICLE VI.

Privileges of members of the teams.

Section 1. No one shall wear an "M," or "Middlebury," who has not become a member of either the foot-ball or base-ball team as defined in Article III., Section 6.

Section 2. An "M," or "Middlebury," may be voted by the Association to such other persons whose athletic record is deemed worthy of such privilege.

Section 3. Managers may wear the "M," or "Middlebury," only upon hats and caps.

Section 4. To establish uniformity in the awarding of caps and sweaters, the following colors, and style of letters are adopted:

For Foot Ball—Blue sweater with white block **M** of this design. Cap of same colors and design.

For Base Ball—Blue sweater with white block **M** of this design. Cap of same colors and design.

ARTICLE VII.

Amendments.

This Constitution may be amended at any meeting of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided such amendments be submitted in writing one week before being acted upon.

BY-LAWS.

1. The regular meetings of this Association shall be held on the last Saturday but one of the Fall term, and the last Saturday but one of the Spring term.

2. Appeals may be taken from the decision of the Advisory Committee to the Association and its decision shall be final.

3. Should any officer, or member of a committee, neglect or be found incompetent to discharge the duties of his office, he may be removed from said office by a two-thirds vote of the house.

4. Any member, for improper conduct, may be expelled from a meeting by a two-thirds vote of the house.

5. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the members of the Association entitled to vote.

6. These By-Laws may be revised or amended by a two-thirds vote of the house, such revision or amendment to be submitted in writing and read one week before being acted upon.

THE WASHINGTON'S BRITHDAY CELEBRATION.

Preparations are being made for a general college celebration of Washington's birthday. It is to take the form of a supper at the Addison House, with an adjunct of speaking and music. An executive committee of five, consisting of J. E. Parker, '01, W. J. Stone, '02, A. E. Taylor, '03, P. E. Mellen, '04, and Professor W. W. McGilton, has complete charge of the general arrangements; of this committee J. E. Parker is chairman. In accordance with the scheme outlined, the senior class has chosen B. L. Stafford president of the day and R. L. Carr orator, and the junior class has chosen G. R. Drake reciter of some extract from the state papers of Washington. The remainder of the programme will be determined by the committee.

There seems to be no reason why the affair should not be an unqualified success. The idea is a good one: the entire college body comes together far too seldom in a social way, and it is to be hoped that every one will enter so enthusiastically into the pleasures of the initial evening that a Washington supper may come to be an established feature of the college life in Middlebury's second century. It should especially be remembered that the celebration is for us all and that there can be no more practical ways of showing college loyalty than our hearty co-operation with the committee in its preliminary work and our presence at the festivities. If our advocacy of college spirit is more than theoretical, we shall have an excellent chance to prove it by resisting the temptation to indulge in an out-of-town holiday and showing up at the Addison House on the hour appointed. It is the belief of THE UNDERGRADUATE that we shall all be there.

JUNIOR PROMENADE.

The Junior Promenade held on the night of Friday, December 21, was an unusually brilliant and enjoya-

ble function. Admirable music was furnished by the Howard Opera House Orchestra of Burlington. At midnight lunch was served by Caterer Coon of Burlington, assisted by members of the class. The committee, consisting of Simmons, Thompson and Wilcox, are to be congratulated upon the management of the entire evening from so slight a thing as the distribution of dance orders to the high grade of music secured. About thirty-five couples made the floor just crowded enough to inspire caution and promote comfort. The ladies present from outside the college were, Miss Potter of Boston, Miss Taft of Newport, N. H., Mrs. Monroe of New York, Miss Brigham of Burlington, Miss Murdoch of Crown Point, Miss Smith of Vergennes, Miss Lane of Cornwall, Miss Fletcher of Bridport; and from the town, Mrs. Noble, Mrs. Hill, Miss Fletcher, Miss Chapman, Miss Wainwright, Miss Brewster, Miss Mellen; from the College, Miss Child, Miss Cornish, Miss Hadley, Miss Smith, Miss Thomas, Miss Weld, Miss Bowles, Miss Murdoch, Miss Burditt, Miss Dustin, Miss Kelsey, Miss Mathison, Miss Salisbury, Miss Thompson, Miss Brainerd, Miss Merrill, Miss Milliken, Miss Witmer.

THE FRESHMAN BANQUET.

Thursday afternoon, January 10, the Freshmen successfully eluded the Sophomores and held their banquet at Brandon Inn. Having been given a cut from their 3 o'clock recitation by Professor Bryant, they filed down past the Latin room where the unsuspecting Sophomores watched them pass the door and hustled to the station just in time to board the rear car of the 3:15 train, which took them as far north as Beldens. There they waited until the 4 o'clock "rawhide" came. It was three hours late, which afforded a pleasant four hours in the barn-like station at Beldens At Middlebury the freight had to wait for the 7 o'clock train from the north. For thirty minutes or more the Freshmen were packed into the caboose and side-tracked, but being undiscovered they finally reached Brandon in safety and held a very pleasant banquet, returning to Middlebury on the sleeper. Below is the toast list:

TOASTMASTER, LEROY F. HOVEY, JR.

DEAR OLD MIDD, - - ELNA G. COATES
"She's stood there for ages, she's standing there still."

THE CLASS OF 1904, - - STANLEY F. BOND
"May it live long and prosper."

THE —— SOPHS, - - PHILIP E. MELLEN
"Men must endure their going hence even as their coming hither."

THE OTTER, - - - D. CLARKE SIMONDS
"But if on the moon-lit Otter—"

HOMINES, - - - FANNIE L. MILLIKEN
"Every one is as he is made, and oftimes a great deal worse."

DOMINÆ, - - - - CARL A. PERKINS
"As for the women, tho' we scorn and flout 'em,
We may live with, but we cannot live without 'em."

POEM, - - - - ALICE B. BRAINERD
"I'll versify in spite and do my best
To make as much waste paper as the rest."

BRYNY, - - - - GEORGE R. WILSON
"He pulls down, he builds up, he changes squares into circles."

HUSKIN' BEE, - - - SAMUEL C. EVELETH
"For now, the corn-house filled, the harvest home,
Th' invited neighbors to the husking come."

ORATION, - - - ARTHUR W. EDDY
"All the other great men are dying and I'm not feeling very well."

PROPHECY, - - M. KATHERINE COLLINS
"A light to guide; a rod
To check the erring, and reprove."

LIBRARY NOTES.

Preparations for the Centennial celebration of the College and the arduous labors connected with the removal of the library from its old quarters in Painter Hall into the new Egbert Starr Library building may naturally be regarded as a sufficient excuse for the shortcomings of the editor of this department of THE UNDERGRADUATE. There have been many valuable and interesting additions to the library by gift and purchase since our last report which will be more adequately noted in future reports.

Many books have necessarily been omitted from the following list of additions to the library. Those added since the Centennial celebration will be given in subsequent reports.

RECENT ACCESSIONS.

Brown. Wieland.
Van Dyke. Little rivers.
Fisherman's luck.
Foster-Barham Nibelungen lied.
Kiepert. Atlas antiquus.
Brewer and others, ed. World's best orations, 10 vols.
Mau. Pompeii, its life and art.
Campbell. Hymns and hymn makers.
MacMillan. Minnesota plant life.
Crombie. Monograph of lichens found in Britain.
Herbst. Fungal flora of the Lehigh valley.

Lister. Monograph of the mycetozoa.
Schneider. Guide to the study of lichens.
Boys. Soap-bubbles.
Berry. Short history of astronomy.
Todd. Stars and telescopes.
Darwin. Tides and kindred phenomena.
Dolbear. Art of projecting.
Mayer. Sound.
Thompson. Light, visible and invisible.
Tait. Properties of matter.
Holman. Matter, energy, force and work.
Kelvin. Popular lectures and addresses, 3 vols.
Gray. Absolute measurements in electricity and magnetism, 3 vols.
Acker. Pen sketches.
Bronson. First half century of Madison University.
White, trans. Appianus of Alexandria, 2 vols.
Lanciani. Destruction of ancient Rome.
Ruins and excavations of ancient Rome.
Thomas. Roman life under the Caesars.
Frazer. Pausanias's description of Greece, 6 vols.
Gildursleeve. Essays and studies.
Fuller. Historie of the Holy Warre.
Good thoughts in bad times.
Farrar. Early days of Christianity.
Adams. Genealogical history of Henry Adams.
Depew. Orations and after-dinner speeches.
Life and later speeches.
Waters. Sketch of the life of John Winthrop, the younger.
Hastings. Dictionary of the Bible, first 3 vols.
James. Human immortality.
Bliss, ed. Encyclopædia of missions, 2 vol.
Winslow. Egyptian antiquities for our museums.
Boardman. History of New England theology.
Blake. Early history of the first church of Christ, New London.
After death, what?
Colton. Deck and port.
Hitz, ed. Helen Keller souvenir.
Starr. Indians of Southern Mexico.

LOCALS.

Professor Wright lectured at Castleton on the evening of January 7.

Lawrence King of Amherst recently passed a few days with friends at the College.

Professor Howard lectured before the "Fortnightly Club" of Bennington January 19.

J. R. Duffield, '02, and E. T. Duffield, '04, recently spent Sunday at their home in Rutland.

After several weeks' absence, caused by sickness, Dr. Prentiss is able to resume his place at the Library.

Owing to the severe illness of her mother, Miss Baker, '02, has been unable to return to College this term.

A number of students went to Shoreham Friday evening, January 5, to attend "The Old Maids' Convention."

William T. Barnard, '00, of Granville, N. Y., spent Sunday, February 3, with his brother, Walter M. Barnard, '01.

D. F. Clark, '01, has been confined to his room by a crick in his back. He comforted himself by reading Van Dyke's "Little Rivers."

Miss Bixby, '03, has returned to College after having been detained at her home in Springfield on account of the death of her father on January 2.

Among those who have suffered an attack of grip are R. S. Stearns, '01, C. A. Voetsch, '02, G. R. Drake, '02, A. M. Barrett, '04, J. B. Gooding, '04, Miss Witmer, '04.

On Tuesday evening, February 5, the local chapter of Delta Upsilon, with ladies, enjoyed a sleighride to West Cornwall, where they were very pleasantly entertained by Rev. and Mrs. Guy C. Lamson of the class of '96.

M. V. Drake, C. F. Lester, D. L. Robinson and J. T. Weed, all of the Class of 1903, recently spent Sunday at their respective homes in Ticonderoga; and D. A. Burke, '02, and R. H. Warner, '04, in Port Henry, N. Y.

The Senior class was very cordially entertained on the evening of January 25 by Professor and Mrs. McGilton at their home at The Addison. Progressive games were the order of the evening and Parker won as an appropriate prize a copy of Marvel's Reveries of a Bachelor.

The operetta, "The Queen of Hearts," was very creditably presented at the Opera House on Friday evening by the following cast: Dorothy, Mrs. Cushing Hill; Mrs. Sherwood, Miss Berniece Thomas; Mignon, Miss Leila Dustin; Aldershot, Charles Whitney; Fairfax, Walter Barnard.

Professor Sanford, who has been confined by illness at the home of Professor Wright for the past four weeks, is again able to assume his college duties. During his sickness the Latin periods have been filled by other subjects which will give way in turn until equilibrium is again restored.

It is a matter of gratification to the students that the Congregational Church Society has extended a call to Rev. Thomas Simms to become their pastor.

Mr. Simms has shown himself interested in college affairs and so won his way into the hearts of those students who have made his acquaintance.

President Ezra Brainerd and Professor E. A. Burt of the College attended the annual winter meeting of the Vermont Botanical Club at Burlington. President Brainerd, as president of the club, gave an address on "The Present Status of Vermont Botany." Dr. Burt read a paper on "Tremella Mycetophila Pk." Dr. Brainerd was re-elected to the presidency.

The catalogues for 1900–1901 have appeared. They are much the same as in former years, except for the new class roll, and the names of 1900 seen only on the lists of honors and degrees, and those of '99 seen not at all. The present enrollment is as follows: Graduate students, 2; Seniors, 28; Juniors, 22; Sophomores, 35; Freshmen, 38; total, 125.

Professor Seeley has an interesting and instructive article in the February Vermonter upon the geology of Vermont. It is the second of a series of papers appearing in that magazine upon Twentieth Century History of Vermont. It gives a concise history of geological investigation in the state and a summary of these researches written in a style to arouse interest in the most careless observer of natural phenomena. The article is illustrated by numerous views familiar to Vermonters, especially of this region.

Interior work on the Warner Science Hall is progressing rapidly. The lathing is practically completed and masons will s on begin plastering. The electricians have completed the wiring and plumbers have laid several miles of pipe. Those who are too near graduation to enjoy it in its completion are almost led to envy as they realize the increased interest that this plant will give in the sciences at Middlebury. The only remedy suggested is a P. G. course, or perhaps under certain conditions a repetition of the Senior year might be made possible.

The president of the Y. M. C. A. has circulated among students cards giving topics and leaders for the weekly prayer meetings to be held during the term. The following is a list of topics and leaders for the remainder of the term: January 29, "The decision of character," Slocum, '04; February 5, "God's requirements," Gooding, '04; February 12, "Practical talk," Professor Eaton; February 19, "Confessing Christ," Brown, '01; February 26, "Citizenship on earth and in Heaven," Thompson, '03; March 5, "Gratitude to God," Hovey, '04; March 12, "The value of wisdom," Wilson, '04; March 19, "Do not worry," Sunderland, '04.

In the last Circular of Information issued by the United States Bureau of Education appears a brief history of Middlebury College, written by Professor C. B. Wright. It treats of the character of the early settlers, their tendencies toward religious and educational advancement, and the natural outgrowth of these taking form in a Middlebury College charter. Then follows a brief sketch of the struggles of the first fif y years and of the more promising era since 1850. The article concludes with a description of the present college plant and methods. In the same circular is an article by President Brainerd setting forth Mrs. Emma Willard's life and work in Middlebury. Both are articles of much interest to Middlebury students.

Sunday, February 10, was fittingly observed as the day of special thought and prayer for students. In the morning Rev. Thomas Simms at the Congregational Church delivered a sermon bearing upon the general theme and purpose of the day. At half past three a service of more than ordinary interest was held in the Chapel. The general topic of the afternoon was: Christ as a real help for real needs in the college world. Rev. T. A. Carlson, '00, of Shoreham spoke first upon "The Students' Need of Him in College as the Way." Rev. D. P. Hurlburt, '99, upon "The Students' Need of Him in College as the Truth;" Rev. Guy C. Lamson, '96, of West Cornwall upon "The Students' Need of Him in College as the Life." "The Students' Need of Him to give True Effectiveness to the Preparation for his After-College Career," was the theme upon which President Brainerd based his remarks Miss Avery, '01, spoke last upon "The Ends to be Sought in the Religious Work of the College" Music was furnished by a double quartette, and the five-minute talks were of much interest and very helpful.

The following concerts have been arranged for the Glee and Mandolin Clubs: February 15, at Weybridge, for the benefit of the Methodist Episcopal Church; February 20, at Bristol, for the benefit of the Christian Endeavor Society of the Congregational Church; March 1, at New Haven, for the benefit of the senior class of Beeman Academy. Several trips are nearly arranged and requests for concerts are so numerous that college duties would become a second-

ary matter if they were all granted. The Neshobe Club of Rutland have invited the Clubs to furnish music at their Ladies' Night. The personnel of the Clubs are as follows: Glee Club, C. A. Voetsch, '02, F. A. Simmons, '02, first tenors; W. M. Barnard, '01, J. Earle Parker, '01, O. K. Collins, '02, second tenors; L. R. Brown, '01, F. A. Hughes, '02, P. E. Mellen, '04, first bass; D. F. Clark, '01, J. E. Thompson, '02, Charles Whitney, '03, C. A. Perkins, '04, second bass. Mandolin Club, R. L. Carr, '01, F. A. Hughes, '02, first mandolin; W. M. Barnard, '01, S. F. Bond, '04, L. F. Hovey, Jr., '04, second mandolin; F. A. Simmons, '02' J. E. Thompson, '02,. guitars; Charles Whitney, '03, violin; G. W. White, '01, 'cello and accompanist. The Clubs are deserving of a most successful season, for the high standard of last year is even surpassed.

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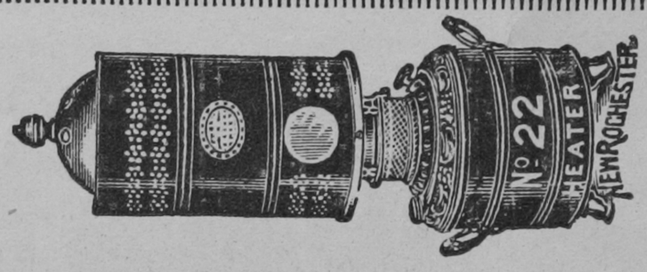

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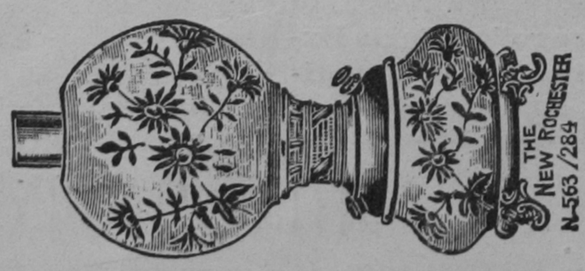

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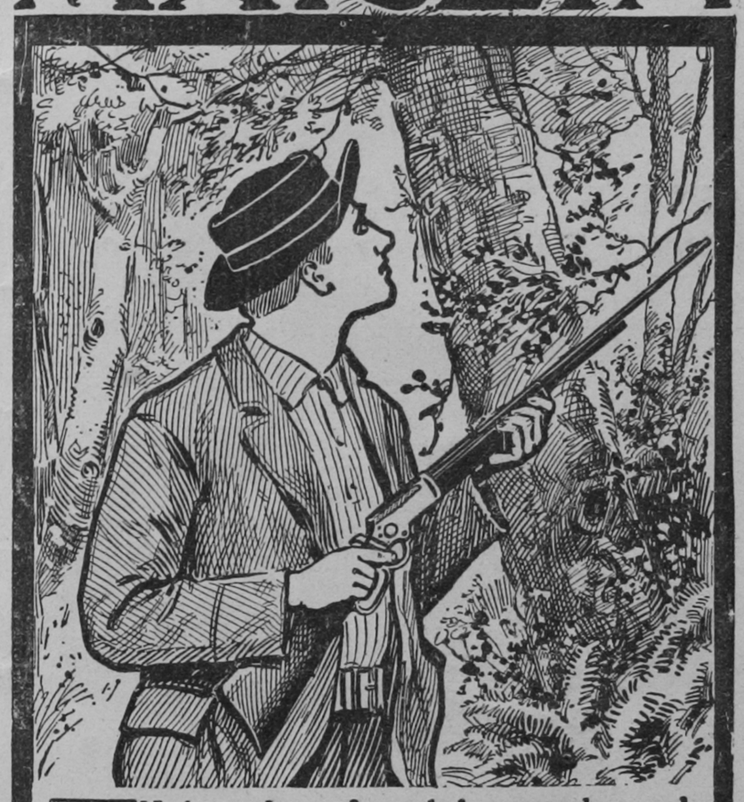

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